In the Specification

Please insert the following new paragraph below the title and above "Technical Field" on page 1 of the specification.

Page 1, paragraph 1 (New)

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Please substitute the following paragraph for the third paragraph starting on page 22 of the specification.

Page 22, paragraph 3 (Currently Amended)

The ring formed by combining R^6 and R^7 may include 5- to 7-membered (preferably, 5- to 6-membered) unsaturated alicyclic hydrocarbons such as C_{5-7} cycloalkene (*e.g.*, 1-cyclopentene, 2-cyclopentene, 3-cyclopentene, ~~**2-cyclohexne, 3-cyclohexne**~~ **2-cyclohexene, 3-cyclohexene)** and C_{5-6} cycloalkadiene (*e.g.*, 2,4-cyclopentadiene, 2,4-cyclohexadiene, 2,4-cyclohexadiene); 6-membered aromatic hydrocarbons such as benzene; 5- to 7-membered aromatic heterocyclic rings and unsaturated non-aromatic heterocyclic rings (aliphatic heterocyclic rings), which contain at least one (preferably 1 to 4, more preferably 1 or 2) of one to three kinds (preferably, one or two kinds) of heteroatoms selected from an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a nitrogen atom, and the like.

Please substitute the following paragraph for the fifth paragraph starting on page 43 of the specification.

Page 43, paragraph 5 (Currently Amended)

To a suspension of 4-(4-bromo-2- ~~folmyl~~ **formyl** -N-methylanilino)butyric acid (1.00 g) and potassium carbonate (0.51 g) in DMF (5ml) was added ethyl iodide (0.26 ml), followed by stirring at room temperature for 24 hours. To the reaction mixture was added water, followed by extraction with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with a saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and then concentrated. The concentrate was purified on a silica gel column (n-hexane/ethyl acetate (4/1)) to give 4-(4-bromo-2-formyl-N-methylanilino)butyric acid ethyl ester (0.84g, 77% yield) as an oil.

Please substitute the following paragraph for the fourth paragraph starting on page 55 of the specification.

Page 55, paragraph 4 (Currently Amended)

To a suspension of 4-(4-bromo-2-formyl-N-propylanilino)butyric acid (4.00 g) and potassium carbonate (2.02 g) in DMF (12 ml) was added ethyl bromide (1.1 ml), followed by stirring at room temperature for 6 hours. Then added was diethyl carbonate (24 ml), to which a 20% ethanolic sodium ethoxide solution (10.00 g) was added dropwise, followed by stirring at 60°C for 1 hour. Under ice-cooling, the mixture was adjusted to pH = 2 with 1N hydrochloric acid (50 ml), and the layers were separated. Further, the aqueous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate (50 ml). The combined organic layer was washed with a saturated aqueous sodium chloride solution and then concentrated. The concentrate was purified on a silica gel column (n-hexane, then n-hexane/ethyl acetate (10/1, then 7/1)) to give 7-bromo-1-propyl-2,3-dihydro-1-benzazepiene-4- ~~caboxylic~~ **carboxylic** acid ethyl ester (3.41 g, 83% yield) as an oil.

Please substitute the following paragraph for the third paragraph starting on page 62 of the specification.

Page 62, paragraph 3 (Currently Amended)

Using 4-[4-(~~**butoxyethxyphenyl**~~ **butoxyethoxyphenyl**)-2-formyl-N-propylanilino]butyric acid, the reaction was carried out in the same manner as described in Example 14 to give 7-[4-(butoxyethoxyphenyl)]-1-propyl-2,3-dihydro-1-benzazepine-4-carboxylic acid ethyl ester in 76% yield as a yellow oil.